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Jail.

Government communiqué on the Allipuram Jail, Bellary.

90 *Q.*—Mr. K. Abdul Hye Sahib: With reference to the Government communiqué on the Allipuram Jail, Bellary, will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to throw more light on the number of convicts afflicted and precautionary measures taken therefor?

A.—The number of cases was 167 of which seven cases ended fatally.

The following are the chief precautionary measures which were taken to arrest the spread of the epidemic:—

(1) Isolation of all cases and immediate contacts in the cholera enclosure and camp.
(2) Immediate segregation of all cases of diarrhœa.
(3) Stringent sanitary, food and water control such as the chlorination of the drinking water before use, protection of food and cooking and eating and drinking utensils from contamination, examination of all food-stuffs, cooked food, etc.
(4) Campaign against flies by the introduction of a large number of formaline sprays and
(5) Prophylactic issue of dilute sulphuric acid twice daily.

Number of political and other prisoners still undergoing imprisonment.

91 *Q.*—Mr. S. Satyamurti: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of prisoners still in prison, convicted in connexion with the picketting of liquor shops in Madura early this year;

(*b*) the number of Mappilla prisoners convicted in connexion with the recent Mappilla rebellion who are still undergoing imprisonment; and

(*c*) the number of political prisoners, that is, those convicted of offences against the State, who are still undergoing imprisonment?

A.—(*a*) 92.

(*b*) 8,796 including 1,219 prisoners in the Andamans.

(*c*) The number of prisoners convicted of offences against the State and still undergoing imprisonment is 14.

Medical help to Pandit Vajpai.

92 *Q.*—Mr. S. Satyamurti: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Pandit Vajpai, a political prisoner in the Central Jail, Trichinopoly, is in a critical condition; and

(*b*) whether proper and adequate medical help has been given to him?

A.—(*a*) Pandit Vajpai having been released on December 3rd the question does not now arise.

(*b*) Yes; whilst he was in jail.

Local Self-Government.

The Local and Municipal Group Conferences.

93 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur A. S. Krishna Rao Pantulu: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased—

(*a*) to place on the table copies of all the resolutions of the various Local and Municipal group conferences held during 1922;